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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 573
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Mrs. Paulette Scott upon
being named 1999 Clay County Mother of the
Year.

WHEREAS, a poet once wrote: "A mother is one who understands the things you say
and do; who always overlooks your faults and sees the best in you; a mother is one whose
special love inspires you day by day. Who fills your heart with gladness in her warm and
thoughtful way"; and

WHEREAS, one mother who most assuredly fits this glowing description is Mrs. Paulette
Scott of Clay County. Throughout her life, she has evidenced the best of American motherhood
and she has remained steadfast in her support of the family as the anchor of a strong and
healthy society; and

WHEREAS, nominated for the esteemed honor of 1999 Mother of the Year for Clay
County by her appreciative daughter, Tammie Scott Huff, Paulette Scott gives constant support,
compassion, and love to her two daughters, Tammie and Kassie, and to her devoted husband
Tim; and

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WHEREAS, in addition to being an outstanding mother, Mrs. Scott is committed to her community; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Scott was the first registered nurse from Clay County to return home after graduating from nursing school; she has used her unparalleled skills in numerous capacities at the county hospital and was awarded the first Registered Nurse Professional Award for her many accomplishments upon receiving her Bachelor's Degree in Nursing; and

WHEREAS, she served with acumen and alacrity as the Supervisor for the Intensive Care Unit when the unit was opened at the county hospital; she never hesitates to offer her assistance when a helping hand is needed; and

WHEREAS, this remarkable lady spends countless hours visiting the elderly in the area, these senior citizens have become a special part of her life, and most assuredly she is a source of joy and hope for them; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Scott often is called upon at home by patients who trust in her comforting and experienced advice; and

WHEREAS, she was selected for this prestigious award from among countless qualified nominees as a panel of six judges spent several hours reading through stacks of praiseworthy "Mother of the Year" nomination letters; and

WHEREAS, Tammie's heartfelt praise for her mother was eloquently displayed in the letter she submitted; she stated: "Everyone has put so much trust in her, and that makes me incredibly proud to know the respect they hold for her and to know that I can also call her my mother"; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Scott's loving daughter goes on to say: "Not only has she been a mother to me, but more importantly a FRIEND. More so, her nomination should not stop at Mother of the Year, but she should also be Wife of the Year and Nurse of the Year"; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Scott was unable to attend the awards ceremony; she was instead fulfilling her motherly duties and was by her daughter's side as Tammie gave birth to a beautiful baby girl named Gracie; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Paulette Scott truly exemplifies the best traits of motherhood and is the personification of good citizenship; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly pause in its deliberations to honor those outstanding citizens, who through their efforts to preserve and strengthen the American family which is the very foundation of our society, distinguish themselves as role models who we would all do well to emulate; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Mrs. Paulette Scott on being selected the 1999 Clay County Mother of the Year, and commend her for her inspiring and unstinting efforts on behalf of her children.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.